

**PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINING BOARD  
MINUTES  
MADISON, WISCONSIN  
MARCH 27, 2002**

**PRESENT:** Don Crowder, Ph.D., James Fico, Ph.D., Mariellen Fischer, Ph.D.,  
Barbara Van Horne, Ph.D., McArthur Weddle

**EXCUSED:** B. Ann Neviasher

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kimberly Nania, Ph.D.-Director Bureau of Health Professions; John  
Schweitzer, Legal Counsel; Grace Schwingel, Executive Staff Assistant

**GUESTS:** Sarah Bowen, WPA Anne Spurley, Blumenfeld & Associates

**CALL TO ORDER**

Barbara Van Horne, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. A quorum of 5 members was present.

**AGENDA**

Additions to the agenda included a review of the nature of intended practice for Christie Felix and Jeremy Meyers and a stipulation for Donald Platner. In addition, board members requested that staff do NOT have the agenda packets stapled in the future.

**MOTION:** Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by James Fico, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

**MINUTES**

There were several amendments to the minutes of February 27, 2002.

Page 3 of the minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph - *The Board agreed that the practice of a licensee depends on how the licensee **presents themselves to the public and signs evaluations**. Under "Alliant International University, Fresno CA" - The Board discussed Alliant International University's inquiry regarding its program in forensic psychology and whether the curriculum requirements meet Wisconsin's curriculum licensure requirements for **educational training at the doctoral level**. Under "Karen Bauman, Ph.D., Janesville WI" The Board requested that Kimberly Nania refer Karen Bauman's letter regarding Stephen Johnson's application for licensure as a professional counselor to the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors for action. Under "Valerie DeLain," second sentence should read: *The Board requested that John Schweitzer respond to her correspondence advising that the Board is in agreement that the checkmark indicates "course not approved" and confirms that the program in question was not offered by one of the board approved sponsors.**

Page 5 of minutes, first sentence, add "s" to application - The Board conducted oral interviews; reviewed applications; . . .

Page 6 of the minutes- Motion regarding Leanne D. Kirsch should be changed to read: . . . she does not have sufficient supervision to support inclusion of the following services or populations

in nature of intended practice: Academic Teaching **or Forensics**. Motion regarding Shoshana Hellman - she was not required to appear but is being requested to provide further information. Page 7 of the minutes - the motion regarding Dr. Gary Michael Major - he should be referred to as **Dr.** every time his name is mentioned in the motion. Raymond Lueck should also be referred to as **Dr.** in that same motion. The last section of the first motion regarding Dr. Gary Michael Major should be changed to read: *"and that **Dr. Major** explain what **Dr. Raymond Lueck** was told regarding the Board's expectations for **providing him** supervision."*

**MOTION:** Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

## **PUBLIC HEARING RELATING TO THE SCHEDULING OF EXAMINATIONS**

Hearing relating to the scheduling of examinations. Written comments and testimony must be received by the Department no later than April 12, 2002. No one appeared.

## **PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATION**

### **Donald Platner, 01 PSY -028**

DOE Attorney Mike Berndt presented a proposed stipulation in the matter concerning Donald J. Platner, M.S. This matter will be deliberated on in closed session.

The Board discussed concerned about the consumer protection loophole that exists in the licensing process, with no criminal background checks currently required from applicants. The Board would like to investigate the possibility of doing a routine criminal background check of all applicants through the national data bank, HIPDB, or possibly to require the applicant to provide this background check to the Department as part of the licensing process. The Board's understanding is that this service is free to state agencies. Kim Nania will discuss the possibility of requiring background checks of all psychology applicants with Lori Huntoon, Credentialing Supervisor. Currently, criminal background checks are only done in cases where an applicant discloses that they have had a conviction in the past. The Board requested that this issue be addressed by a rule change that would require that a background check must be done prior to licensure.

Currently background checks are done with Security Guards. It was suggested that the Board could review the process used by the Security Guards profession to see if it would be an appropriate model for the Board to use.

## **MULTIPLE LICENSE HOLDERS**

### **Wisconsin Psychology Board mission and functions**

Barbara Van Horne reported on her visit the Minnesota Psychology Board. It was agreed the Board would explore ways to improve efficiency. The Board would like a review the entire complaint process to be put on next month's agenda.

The Board discussed the process for new appointments to the Board. Bureau Directors will now be working with the Governor's Office in finding new board members. The Board also indicated that the state association, WPA, would be a good resource for providing names of individuals who would be able to serve as board members. The Board reiterated interest in geographical representation as well as expertise in major areas of psychology.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE RE: SUPERVISION OF APPROPRIATE POSTDOCTORAL HOURS**

John Schweitzer reviewed the e-mail the Board received from Susan Stacy, Ph.D. regarding experience requirements.

#### **C.E. AUDIT**

Jan Johnson reviewed some cases with the Board regarding the continuing education audit.

#### **Regulatory Digest articles**

Barbara Van Horne will write an article on the APA Convention. Don Crowder will also write an article about managed care, letting people who deal with managed care know that anyone functioning in a managed care organization as a psychologist must be licensed by the state.

#### **Visitor's comments**

Sarah Bowen, WPA, addressed the Board with some issues for the Board's information.

**MOTION:** Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State statutes 19.85(a)(b)(f) and (g) to consider the licensing or discipline of persons licensed by the Board or the investigation of charges against such a person. Specifically, to conduct oral interviews, review applications and additional information from applicants. Motion carried unanimously by a roll call vote. Mariellen Fischer-yes, James Fico-yes, Don Crowder-yes, McArthur Weddle-yes, and Barbara Van Horne-yes.

Open Session recessed at 11:50 a.m.

#### **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

**MOTION:** Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by James Fico, to reconvene into Open Session at 1:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **ORAL INTERVIEW OF APPLICANTS**

ALLISON ALLEN, PH.D.

**MOTION:** Don Crowder moved, seconded by James Fico, to grant a license to Allison Allen, Ph.D.; Christie L. Felix, Ph.D.; Leanne D. Kirsch, Ph.D.; Caroline L. Nelson, Psy.D. Motion carried unanimously.

## **NATURE OF INTENDED PRACTICE**

**MOTION:** Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to accept the revised nature of intended practice for Allison M. Allen, Ph.D., Leanne D. Kirsch, Ph.D. and Christie Felix. Motion carried unanimously.

DR. JEREMY MEYERS, Ed.D.

**MOTION:** James Fico moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to inform Dr. Jeremy Meyers that the Board cannot grant his license because he has not documented sufficient supervision for licensure to practice in his intended area. The Board would grant him a limited license, requiring him to work under supervision, so that he could gain the required amount of supervision in the areas of intended practice. Motion carried unanimously.

## **SCOPE OF PRACTICE**

SAMANTHA WULFSON, PH.D.

**MOTION:** Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by James Fico, to accept the expanded scope of practice of Samantha Wulfson, Ph.D. to include parent competency. Motion carried unanimously.

DANIEL T. GUSTAFSON, PH.D.

**MOTION:** James Fico moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to expand the scope of practice of Daniel T. Gustafson, Ph.D., to include hypnosis and ADD/ADHD. Motion carried unanimously.

GARY LUDVIGSON, PH.D.

**MOTION:** James Fico moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to accept the intended scope of practice of Gary Ludvigson, Ph.D. Motion carried unanimously.

GEORGE W. RECKNAGEL

**MOTION:** James Fico moved, seconded by McArthur Weddle, to send a letter to George W. Recknagel requesting additional documentation for foundation for marital conjoint therapy in which he is asked to describe his education and training. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** James Fico moved, seconded by Mariellen Fischer, to send a letter to Dr. DeFrancesco requesting an explanation for her appraisal of George Recknagel regarding the minimal competency in the areas of ethical principles and professional conduct. Motion carried unanimously.

## **APPLICATION REVIEWS**

RENEE H. CORDERY, PSY.D

**MOTION:** James Fico moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to admit to oral interview Renee H. Cordery, Psy.D., with a letter asking for additional documentation of supervision and marital conjoint. Motion carried unanimously.

CAREY GLEASON, PH.D.

**MOTION:** Don Crowder moved, seconded by McArthur Weddle, to admit Carey Gleason, Ph.D. to oral interview and jurisprudence exam. Motion carried unanimously.

SHOSHANA HELLMAN

**MOTION:** James Fico moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to communicate with Shoshana Hellman advising that by law the Board must receive official documentation that shows specifically that her course of study is considered a degree in counseling psychology and that she accurately represents her credentials in her resume/vita. Motion carried unanimously.

DR. GARY MICHAEL MAJOR

**MOTION:** Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by James Fico, to accept the explanation given by Dr. Gary Michael Major with regard to supervision. Motion carried unanimously.

## **PROPOSED STIPULATION**

DONALD J. PLATNER

**MOTION:** James Fico moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to accept the Stipulation, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the case involving Donald J. Platner. Motion carried unanimously.

## **ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by James Fico to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 17, 2002**